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Wm Loyd Garison Esq.

Dear Sir

The Trustees & the colored citizens has requested me to write in their behalf. they have read of you and the great work that you have done & gone through for us humble people who has been oppressed & denied the Liberty & blessings that God has given to mankind our great aim and desire is to have the great liberator & the King of emancipation to come & be with us & lecture for us one night we are a poor people & are willing to pay the great man what we can if you would only come we feel it would do us more good to see you and to hear you than

any one we could hear in
this world. we are happy to
say we have had the pleasure
of hearing one good man that
has helped to do us colored people
so much good. that is the
Hon. Horace Greeley. & now
we want to hear & see the
great liberator of 4 million
& then we can say as the
Prophets did in olden times
Lord we have seen thy ~~st~~ salva
tion & great works & now let
thy servants depart in peace
this is the well wishes & prayers
from a people & race who loves
you & good servants like your
self. trusting these few humble
lines will reach you in safety
& find you enjoying health &
God blessing. we remain yours
truely your humble servants
Thomas Delilly John King

John Dubois Richard Lake
Francis Tinbrook (Trustees)

Wm. W. T. Smith

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William R. Gilmore
Sec.

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